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Senate

The Senate met at 9:30 a.m. and was called to order by the President protempore [Mr. Thurmond].

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. The Senate will be led in prayer by the Senate Chaplain, Dr. Lloyd John Ogilvie.

PRAYER

The Chaplain, Dr. Lloyd John Ogilvie, offered the following prayer:

Gracious God, whom to know is life's ultimate purpose, whom to serve is our deepest joy, and whom to trust is our only lasting peace, we commit to You the work of this Senate. You have made praise the secret of opening our minds and hearts to You, the key to unlocking the mysteries of Your will, and the source of turning difficulties into opportunities. When we praise You for even life's tight places and trying people, we are strangely liberated. You have made praise the highest form of commitment of our needs.

So we begin this week with praise to You for the blessings we could neither deserve or earn and for the problems in which You will reveal Your supernatural guidance and power.

We dedicate this week to be one in which we constantly give You praise in all things, especially the perplexities that force us to seek You and Your limitless grace. In Your Holy Name. Amen.

RECOGNITION OF THE MAJORITY LEADER

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. The able majority leader is recognized.

ALASKA POWER ADMINISTRATION ASSET SALE AND TERMINATION ACT—MOTION TO PROCEED

Mr. DOLE. Mr. President, it will be my intention momentarily to move to proceed to consideration of S. 395, the Alaska Power Administration bill. I understand there are objections to proceeding to the bill at this time. Therefore, Members should be aware that rollcall votes are possible this morning and throughout the day.

Mr. President, I move to proceed to consideration of S. 395, Calendar 111, the Alaska Power Administration bill.

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. BROWN). The question is on the motion. Is there objection?

Mrs. MURRAY. I object.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Objection is heard. The Senator from Washington is recognized.

Mrs. MURRAY. Mr. President, I do object to moving to this bill at this time, although I understand the underlying bill has much in it that is important. I do not want to keep us from moving toward that. Section 2 of this bill is extremely important, critical. It has been under the jurisdiction of the Banking Committee for the last several years that I know of that I have been here. It has not been debated in that committee and I believe it should go back to that committee to be looked at.

It is an extremely important section that allows the lifting of the ban on oil for Alaska exports. It has tremendous impact to the west coast, and particularly to my State of Washington, as well as Oregon and California, and is a measure that should see much more light of day, particularly in the Banking Committee, before it is debated on this floor.

Mr. President, I suggest the absence of a quorum.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will call the roll.

The legislative clerk proceeded to call the roll.

Mr. KYL. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the order for the quorum call be rescinded.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

Mr. KYL. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to proceed as in morning business.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

VISIT TO THE SENATE BY MEMBERS OF THE SENATE AND HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF MEXICO

Mr. KYL. Mr. President, I rise to introduce to you and to especially welcome representatives from the Mexican Senate and House of Representatives who met with us in Tucson this last weekend as the delegation of the United States-Mexico Interparliamentary Conference.

It is my honor to present these ladies and gentlemen to you. I ask unanimous consent that each of their names be printed in the proceedings of the U.S. Senate, along with a copy of the joint communique, a communique that came out of that conference.

There being no objection, the material was ordered to be printed in the RECORD, as follows:

MEXICAN DELEGATION LIST SENATORS

Senador Fernando Ortiz Arana, President (State of Queretaro—PRI).

Senador Jose Murat (State of Oaxaca—PRI).

Senador Guadalupe Gomez Maganda (State of Guerrero—PRI).

Senador Guillermo Hopkins Gamez (State of Sonora—PRI).

Senador Jose Luis Soberanes Reyes (State of Sinaloa—PRI).

Senador Fernando Solana Morales (State of Distrito Federal—PRI).

Senador Eloy Cantu Segovia (State of

Nuevo Leon—PRI). Senador Carlos Sales Gutierrez (State of

Campeche—PRI).
Senador Gabriel Jimenez Remus (State of

Jalisco—PAN). Senador Luis Felipe Bravo Mena (State of

Mexico—PAN).

Senador Jose Angel Conchello Davila (State of Distrito Federal—PAN).

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